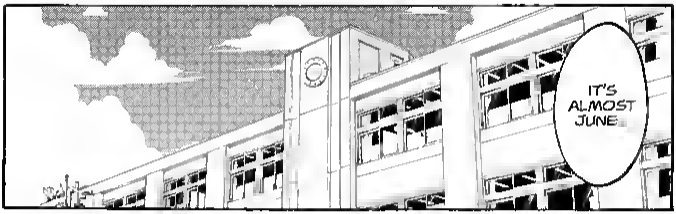
IT'S ALMOST JUNE.

POUNCE
HEY! IT'S ALMOST SUMMER! LET'S ALL GO TO THE BEACH TO SWIM!!
Long-distance swimming!
Oof!
WE'RE PREPPING FOR EXAMS, REMEMBER?!

ALMOST TIME FOR SUMMER UNIFORMS!
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT!

BEE BOO BAE BEE
!
Get off me, would ya?!
Wah!

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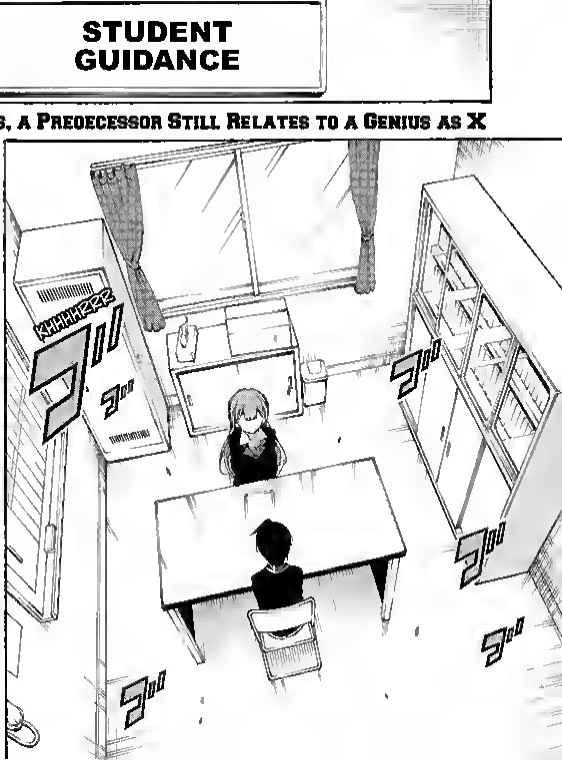
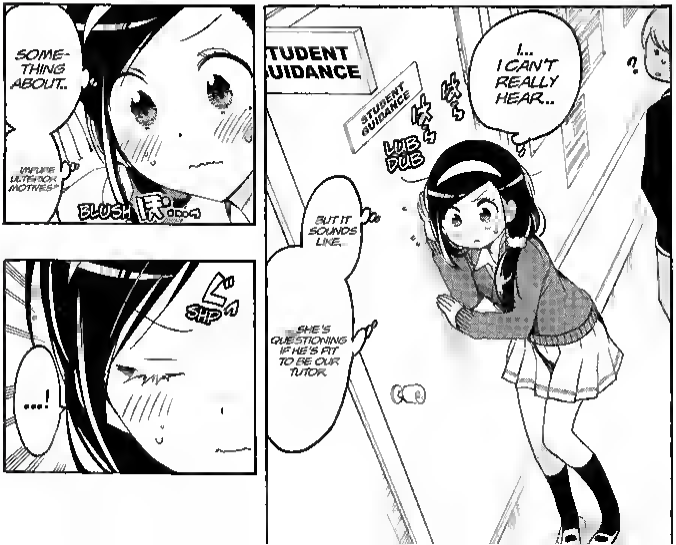


KHHRR
HOW ARE YOUR THREE STUDENTS PROGRESSING, YUIGA?
TALK ABOUT INTIMIDATING!
W-WELL...
...THEY'RE MAKING MEASURABLE PROGRESS IN THEIR TARGET FIELDS SO THAT'S ENCOURAGING...
I REMEMBER HER FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE...
CAN YOU BE MORE SPECIFIC?
THIS IS MAFUYU KIRISU...
FIDGET
...THEIR ORIGINAL TUTOR.
YES...
OSANA ALTHOUGH GOT 50 PERCENT ON HER RECENT TEST ALL BY HERSELF
IF KIRISU SENSEI WANTS TO TALK WITH YOU...
IT'S PROBABLY ABOUT US.
I'M SO SORRY, YUIGA.
?
WELL... WHAT'S SHE LIKE?

COLD AS ICE.
SHE'S COLD.
I SEE...
YOU SEEM TO BE TAKING YOUR ROLE AS TUTOR SERIOUSLY.
Y-YES, OF COURSE!
I'M DOING MY VERY BEST!!
RIGHT. YOUR VERY BEST.
HM... SHE JUST SEEMS TO BE TOUCHING BASE...
IS THAT ALL?
MAYBE I WAS SCARED FOR NO REASON.
TELL ME...
WHEN YOU WERE SEEN.
...KISSING OGATA IN THE WOODS DURING THE STUDY RETREAT...
—WAS THAT PART OF DOING YOUR BEST AS HER EDUCATIONAL SUPERVISOR?

I WONDER...
...IF YOU'RE REALLY QUALIFIED FOR THE ROLE OF TUTOR...
IF YOUR "BEST" INVOLVES IMPURE ULTERIOR MOTIVES.

YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG! THAT WAS AN ACCIDENT!
RIDICULOUS!
PLEASE! IS THAT THE BEST YOU CAN DO?


I... I CAN'T REALLY HEAR..
STUDENT GUIDANCE
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LUB DUB
BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE...
...SHE'S QUESTIONING IF HE'S FIT TO BE OUR TUTOR.
SOME-THING ABOUT..
IMPURE ULTERIOR MOTIVES!
BLUSH!
...!
SHIP

!
ばん
SLAM!
IT WAS AN ACCIDENT! SHE FELL DOWN FROM A LEDGE...
I'VE NEVER HEARD SUCH AN UNLIKELY STORY.
ヒソヒソ
UM...
FURUHASHI?!
LONG TIME NO SEE, KIRISU SENSEI!
I'M IN A MEETING.
IF YOU WANT SOMETHING, MAKE IT QUICK.
YUIGA TREATS US WITH GREAT RESPECT AND DEDICATION!
I...
I WANT HIM TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH US!
F-FURUHASHI...!
ぼっ
HUSH...

IT WASN'T IMPURE ULTERIOR MOTIVES!!
GAK
AND...AS FOR WHAT HAPPENED IN THE LIBRARY...
...THAT WAS BECAUSE I ASKED HIM TO TOUCH MY TUMMY!
YOU MAY BE EXCUSED
FURUHASHI, THAT'S ENOUGH.
F-F-FURUHASHI! STOP! JUST STOP!!
Panic Panic
THAT WAS MY FAULT..
THE TIME HE SAW MY UNDERWEAR WHEN I WAS SICK?!
OR DID YOU MEAN...
I CAN EXPLAIN ...
UH...
...
KUCHA?
GAK ?!
NOW IT'S OGATA'S TURN?!
KUCHA?
EXCUSE ME.

KIRISU SENSEI...
I KNOW MY GRADES ARE STILL HARDLY STELLAR...
BUT THAT'S A MATTER OF MY OWN EFFORTS!
YUIGA HAS BEEN FLAWLESS IN HIS TUTORING!
TAK TAK TAK
BAM
PLEASE STOP INTERROGATING HIM!
O-OGATA...!
IN THAT CASE...
CAN YOU EXPLAIN HIS INAPPROPRIATE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR LAST WEEK?
I CAN EXPLAIN HOW YUIGA WOUND UP HIDING IN THE GIRL'S BATHING AREA!!
RIGHT?
THAT WAS MY FAULT!
YOU MAY BE EXCUSED

Uuu...
STARE
SHAKE SHAKE
...
SIGH
BAM
ばんっ
ARE THEY ACTUALLY TRYING TO HELP?!
OR SOME-THING LIKE THAT!!
YOU MAY BE EXCUSED
THAT TIME YUIGA WOUND UP ON TOP OF ME AT THE POOL... THAT WAS A MATTER OF EXCESS MOMENTUM...
SENSEI! YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG!

YUIGA...
MIZUKI, HAZUKI, KAZUKI..
FORGIVE YOUR WORTHLESS OLDER BROTHER...
I'LL BE LUCKY IF THEY JUST FIRE ME FROM MY ROLE!
I COULD GET SUS-PENDED!!
OR EXPELLED!!
BAM BAM
BAM BAM
GRIMBBBE
IT'S OVER!!

...WOULD RATHER NOT SPEAK TO ME AT ALL.
I KNOW OGATA AND FURU-HASHI...
BUT THEY APPROACHED ME FOR YOUR SAKE.
YOUR STUDENTS ARE QUITE DEVOTED TO YOU.
I SEE.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.
YOU MAY GO NOW.
THE INCIDENTS DO SEEM TO BE ACCIDENTAL
JUDGING FROM THEIR BEHAVIOR
ALTHOUGH I DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS.
I CAN... GO?

...THAT DOESN'T MEAN I APPROVE OF YOU AS THEIR TUTOR.
TALK
TALK
I'M WILLING TO DISMISS THE MATTER FOR NOW.
HOW-EVER...
SCRATCH
WHAT DO YOU MEAN ...YOU DON'T APPROVE?
WERE YOU THEIR TUTOR AS WELL?
BUT...
...HOW CAN WE KNOW THAT WITHOUT TRYING?
YOUR DECISION... ...TO INDULGE THOSE GIRLS' CHOICES...
...WILL LEAD THEM TO A LIFETIME OF UNHAPPI-NESS.
IT ISN'T RIGHT FOR EDUCATORS NOT TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO UTILIZE THEIR GIFTS TO THE MAXIMUM

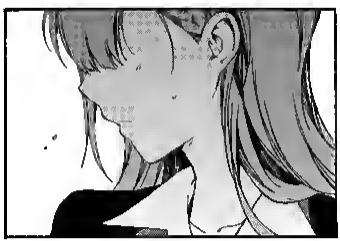
I KNOW.
I WAS THE SAME WAY.
LIKE AN IDIOT...
...I FLUSHED MY GIFTS DOWN THE TOILET.
I LET A SHORT-SIGHTED WHIM LEAD ME DOWN THE WRONG PATH.

I DON'T UNDER STAND
THAT'S FINE
I DON'T INTEND TO CHANGE MY APPROACH
THAT'S ALL.
EVEN IF...

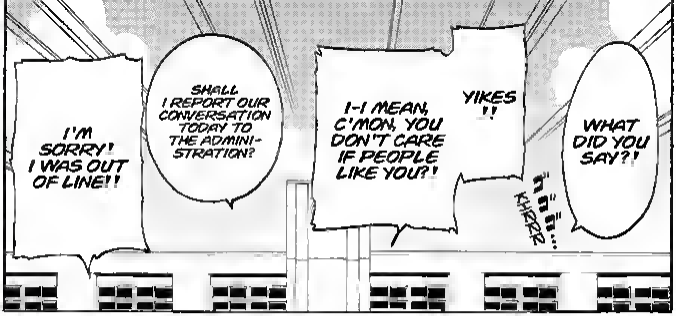
WH...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
OH SORRY
I NOTICED IT EARLIER, BUT..
!
SNIP

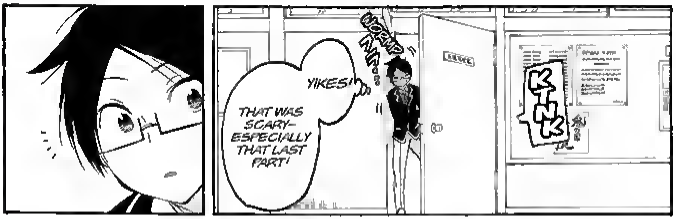
I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR APPROACH..
...BUT YOUR HEART'S IN THE RIGHT PLACE.
IT'S COVERED IN BUG BITES...
...AND SCRATCHES AND SCRAPES.
LET GO OF ME!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
YANK
YOUR HAND...
HOW DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT ACCIDENT IN THE WOODS?
I THINK I GET IT NOW.

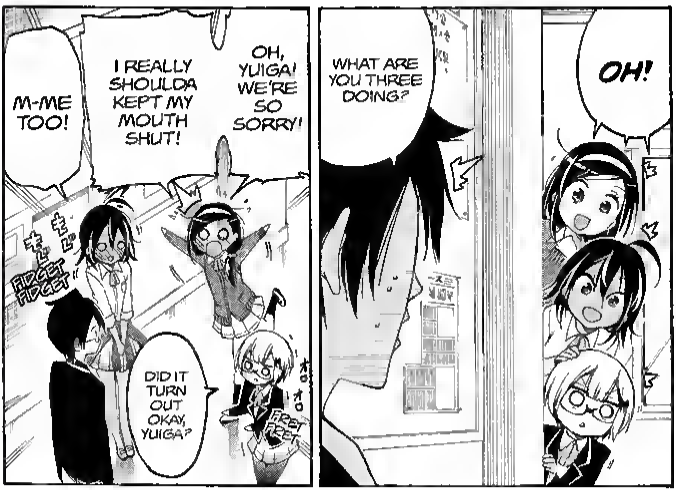
...YOU WERE CONCERNED ABOUT OGATA.
YOU WENT OUT IN THE RAIN TO LOOK FOR HER, DIDN'T YOU?
THAT DAY...



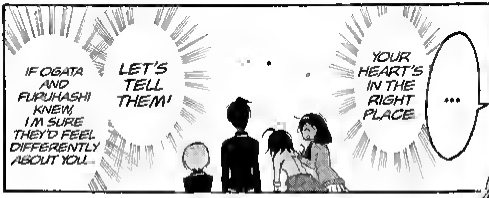
NOBODY ASKED...
...FOR YOUR HELP!
IF YOU WANT, I CAN TELL THEM...
NO, THANK YOU!
LET'S TELL THEM!
IF OGATA AND FURUHASHI KNEW, I'M SURE THEY'D FEEL DIFFERENTLY ABOUT YOU...
I HAVEN'T THE SLIGHTEST INTEREST IN BEING POPULAR AMONG THE STUDENTS.
I DON'T NEED THEM TO LIKE ME.
I WAS SIMPLY DOING MY JOB AS A TEACHER.
...YOU'RE KIND OF A HANDFUL.
...
YOU KNOW SENSEI!


I'M SORRY! I WAS OUT OF LINE!!
SHALL I REPORT OUR CONVERSATION TODAY TO THE ADMINI-STRATION?
I-I MEAN, C'MON, YOU DON'T CARE IF PEOPLE LIKE YOU?!
YIKES!!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
KHERR


YIKES!
THAT WAS SCARY- ESPECIALLY THAT LAST PART!
WGAHP
LEEKS


M-ME TOO!
I REALLY SHOULDA KEPT MY MOUTH SHUT!
OH, YUIGA! WE'RE SO SORRY!
FIDGET FIDGET
DID IT TURN OUT OKAY, YUIGA?
FEEL FREE
WHAT ARE YOU THREE DOING?
OH!

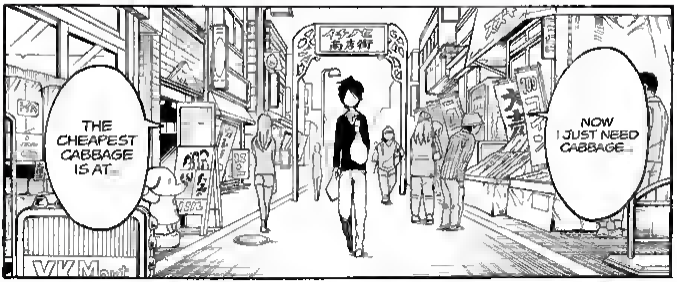
OKAY!
LET'S GET CRANKING ON OUR STUDIES!
YEAH!

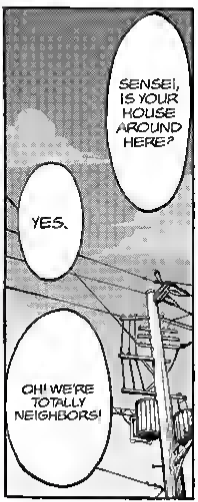

IF OBATA AND FURUHASHI KNEW, I'M SURE THEY'D FEEL DIFFERENTLY ABOUT YOU...
LET'S TELL THEM!
YOUR HEART'S IN THE RIGHT PLACE
...

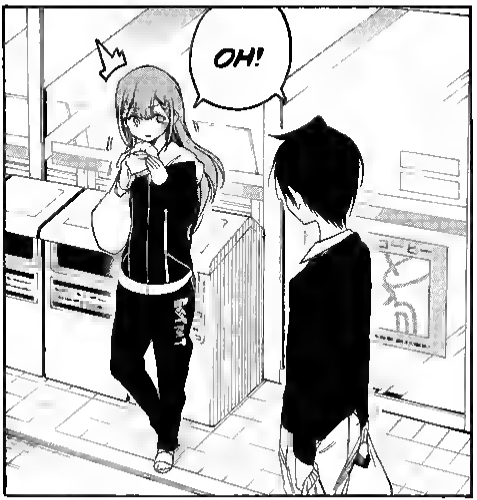
HEH HEHHH

I'M GETTING SOFT!
NO...

THE NEXT DAY...


THE CHEAPEST CABBAGE IS AT...
NOW I JUST NEED CABBAGE...


SENSEI, IS YOUR HOUSE AROUND HERE?
YES.
OH! WE'RE TOTALLY NEIGHBORS!


OH!

WHY'RE YOU STARING AT ME?
WHAT
...
Her treat!
STARE
...
OH, WELL .. YOU DRESS SO SHARP AT SCHOOL
That sweat suit..
BUT YOU'RE PRETTY INFORMAL WHEN YOU'RE NOT WORKING, HUH?
I'M SO EMBARRASSED
I NEVER MEANT FOR A STUDENT TO SEE ME LIKE THIS.
OH, OOPS. I'M SORRY!
HEY, SENSEI
WANNA TRY THIS CURRY BUN?
NO THANKS.
I DON'T LIKE SPICY STUFF.
OH, THAT'S SURPRISING.
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

TO BE CONTINUED...